SUPPLEMENTAL SUBJECTS.

(Nos. 182 to 199.)

SUBJECT No. 182.

Mesaures for famine relief.

Messrs. (1) C. Narasimiah, Heggaddevankote Taluk; Karnick Krishnamurti Rao, and T. Ramachandra Rao, Magadi Taluk; C. Narahariah, Nelamangala Taluk; Shroff Rangaswami Chetti, Magadi Municipality; Javali Huchappa, Tyamagondlu Municipality; K. Suryanarayana Rao, Tumkur District Board and D. S. Hanumantha Rao, Devanhalli Taluk.

(2) K. Suryanarayana Rao, Tumkur District Board; Javali Huchappa, Tyamagondlu Municipality; D.S. Hanumantha Rao, Devanhalli Taluk; Bindu Madhavachar, Kankanhalli Municipality; Narasimiah, Sira Taluk; B. Anantalakshminaranappa, Tumkur Taluk and C. Pattabhirama Setty, Chiknaikanhalli Taluk.

Mr. C. Narasimhaiya pointed out that, on account of the failure of the monsoon, famine conditions were prevailing in most parts of the State and he therefore urged the necessity for the formation of a famine reserve fund and the immediate starting of relief measures in areas where there was famine.

The Dewan explained the various measures sanctioned already by Government in connection with the drought prevailing in parts of Kolar and Tumkur Disricts.

Mr. Narasimhaiya complained that the sum of Rs. 16,000 sanctioned for the Maddagiri Taluk was scarcely adequate.

The Dewan pointed out that even this amount had not been fully spent and added that Government would be glad to sanction more money if the Deputy Commissioners concerned were really convinced of the necessity for the starting of relief measures on a larger scale and report to Government to that effect.

On *Mr. Narasimiah* urging for the starting of relief works in each district, the *Dewan* expressed regret that it was not possible to do so indiscriminately but Government would be glad to order the starting of such works wherever there was real necessity.

Mr. Karnick Krishnamurthy Rao pleaded for remission of kandayam owing to the failure of dry as well as wet crops on account of the failure of rains.

Mr. Suryanarayana Rao pleaded for the starting of relief measures in the Tumkur District as there was scarcity of water and crops had failed owing to the failure of the monsoon.

Mr. Ramanna referred to the failure of crops all over the State on account of the want of timely rains and added that raiyats were put to great difficulty and were unable to pay this year's kandayam. He also brought to notice that the increase of Rs. 30,000 effected by the increase in the assessment as a consequence of the resettlement introduced into the Siddlaghatta Taluk was too hard for the raiyats to bear owing to failure of crops.

The Dewan pointed out that this had since been reduced from Rs. 30,000 to Rs. 26,000.

Mr. Narasimiah pleaded for remission for the destruction of crops on account of excessive rains and consequential floods in Shikarpur, Sorab, Honnali and other parts of the Malnad.

Another member referred to the sarcity of rainfall in the Hiriyur Taluk and suggested that the water passing through a certain leakage in a channel flowing from the Vani Vilas Sagara might with advantage be utilised for irrigational purposes.

The Dewan stated that all the points brought to notice would be duly noted and that orders issued to the Deputy Commissioners to report the action that has been taken on the relief measures necessary in each district and in what respect futher relief measures were necessary.